EDUCATION SECRETARIAT

Reviews the Administration Report of the Public Health Department for the calendar year 1945.

READ—

Report on the Administration of the Public Health Department for the calendar year 1945, received from the Director of Public Health with his letter No. V. S. 492, dated 9—18th November 1946.

ORDER No. M. 8194-223—P. H. 12-46-4, DATED BANGALORE, THE 23RD JANUARY 1947.

Recorded.

2. *Public Health.*—Public health was generally satisfactory with decrease in the incidence of malaria and small-pox. There was an increase in the incidence of plague. Eight thousand and sixteen deaths from plague were reported during the year as against five thousand three hundred and fifty-seven in the previous year. With a view to prevent the spread of this disease, anti-plague inoculations, cyanogasing and fumigation were undertaken. Three lakhs, thirty-seven thousand and forty-one houses were cyanogased in 46 towns and 1,230 villages. Six lakhs fifty-two thousand nine hundred and forty-six anti-plague inoculations were done. Deaths due to cholera were 786 as against 768 in previous year and deaths due to small-pox were only 864 as against 2,681 in the previous year. There was an appreciable fall in the number of deaths due to Malaria. Thirty-four thousand five hundred and thirty-six died of malaria as against 40,556 during the previous year. Of these, 7,649 occurred in Malnad areas and 26,641 in Maidan areas. Effective malaria control operations were in progress. Seventy-six rural health units were in operation during the year.

It is observed that in Malnad, the Malarial mortality is as high as 39·1 as compared with 12·8 in the Maidan. This indicates that greater attention to the general health condition of expectant mothers and also to the extension of maternity benefits in this area are necessary.

3. *Vital Statistics.*—The scheme of centralisation of compilation of vital statistics worked satisfactorily in the three Districts of Bangalore, Shimoga and Mandya and the three Cities of Bangalore, Mysore and Kolar Gold Fields. The introduction of the scheme into the remaining districts has since been ordered to be extended.

During the year under report, the total number of births exceeded the number of deaths by 13,617. The total number of births during the year was 113,385 as against 117,965 during the previous year, the birth rate being 15·1 and the total number of deaths was 99,768 as against 112,711 during the previous year, the death rate being 13·3.

4. *Public Health Institute.*— During the year, a total of 13,632 specimens were examined in the Bacteriological Section, 1,857 in the Chemical Section and 232 cases with 1,120 articles in the Medico-legal Section. A total of 358,000 doses of anti-cholera vaccine, 6,440 doses of T. A. B. vaccine and 473,190 doses of anti-plague vaccine were prepared.

5. *Vaccine Institute.*—The total quantity of vaccine lymph produced at the Institute during the year was 797,400 and 498,600 doses of vaccine were issued.

6. *Bureau of Health Education.*—During the year, 36 cinema shows were organised in different rural places. The Unit participated in Baby Week Celebration at the Mysore Iron and Steel Works, Bhadravati, and at the Baby Week Celebration of the Bangalore Woollen, Cotton and Silk Mills, Ltd. As usual, a Health Exhibition was arranged during the Dasara Season wherein a special plague section was formed exhibiting the nature of the disease and the method of control.

7. *Bureau of Malariology and Epidemiology.*— Control of malaria has become a very important public health problem in the State. Malaria control work was continued in the Cities of Bangalore and Mysore, Mudigere, Adwala, Tavarekere, Maralvadi, Jog, Banavar, Kanagal, P. K. T. Sanatorium, Mysore, Thippagondanahalli, Sakrepatna, Anemahal, Sundakere and Malali. Malaria control work was continued in several Health Units. During the year under report, Health Units were established at Seringapatam, Bannur, Arakere, Forest area in the Heggaddevankote Taluk, Marconahalli Channel area, Kunigal Taluk, and Vani Vilas Sagar area, Chitaldrug District. The Annual Spleen Survey of Bangalore City was conducted during the year. The spleen rate was found to be 2·18 as against 0·38 in the previous year and this increase in the spleen rate is reported to be due to the inclusion of Binnypet and Kempapur Agrahar Schools in the survey where there was an out-break of malaria in 1943 and 1944. During the year under report, malaria survey work was conducted in the villages round Keralapur and Ramanathapur and villages round about Malur in Kolar District.

The Guinea worm staff visited 399 villages. Three hundred and thirty-one wells were examined. Two hundred and twenty-three wells and nurseries were restocked with cyclops and fish.

8. *Maternity and Child Welfare.*—The Superintendent visited about 39 maternity homes in all the districts and the work of the Midwives was inspected.

A scheme for the introduction of maternity and child welfare in the villages round about Bangalore is under consideration.

A lecture on maternity service was arranged at the Intermediate College for Women at Mysore.

9. *General.*—Classes for the training of Sanitary Inspectors were held during the year. The Superintendent, Bureau of Malariology, was on deputation to Delhi for attending the meeting of the Malaria Advisory Committee of the Research Fund Association.

The work of the department was satisfactory during the year.

K. THIPPERUDRIAH, *Edn. Secy.*

FINANCIAL SECRETARIAT

Removal of the restriction imposed under Article 161 I (a) of the Mysore Civil Account Code, Volume I, *re* House Building Advances.

ORDER No. Fl. 5277-5487—G. F. 36-46-10, DATED BANGALORE, THE 16TH JANUARY 1947.

Under Article 161 I (*a*) of the Mysore Civil Account Code, Volume I, no advance is admissible to an officer for the construction of a house except at the place in which he is actually serving or at which he is permitted to reside while in active service. Government are pleased to direct that, having regard to dearth of houses, the restriction referred to be removed and advances granted hereafter for the construction of houses irrespective of the consideration where the officer is actually serving.

The Comptroller to Government is requested to issue necessary amendment to Article 161 (I) of the Mysore Civil Account Code, Volume I.

M. SHAMANNA, *Finl. Secy.*

Sanctions the continuance of enhanced rates of travelling allowance for journeys outside the State till the end of June 1947.

READ—

Government Order No. Fl. 1625-853 S. & A.—3-46-2, dated the 31st August 1946, directing that the enhanced rates of travelling allowance to the Officers of Government for journeys outside the State, sanctioned in Government Order No. Fl. 3932-4009—S. & A. 85-45-1, dated the 8th December 1945, be continued till the end of December 1946.

ORDER No. Fl. 4951-5021— S. & A. 33-46-4, DATED BANGALORE, THE 6TH JANUARY 1947.

Government are pleased to direct that the enhanced rates of travelling allowance referred to in the Government Order read above be continued till the end of June 1947.

M. SHAMANNA, *Finl. Secy.*

Sanctions the continuance of enhanced rates of daily allowance and mileage till the end of June 1947.

READ—

Government Order No. Fl. 6962-7030—S. & A. 77-45-3, dated the 27th March 1946, directing that the enhancement by 33 1/3 per cent of the rates of daily allowance and mileage admissible under the provisions of the Mysore Service Regulations in respect of Officers of Government and the non-official members of Committees and other Public Bodies for attending the meetings of those bodies (subject to a minimum daily allowance of Re 1 for halts in Bangalore City and Re. 0-12 0 in the case of all other places in the State) be continued till the end of December 1946.

ORDER No. Fl. 5022-5092—S. & A. 33-46-2, DATED BANGALORE, THE 6TH JANUARY 1947.

Government are pleased to direct that the enhanced rates of daily allowance and mileage referred to in the Government Order read above be continued till the end of June 1947.

M. SHAMANNA, *Finl. Secy.*